GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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COMMONWEALTH SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Host gunned for us, say Indian shooters` appearing in the `Hindustan Times`, New Delhi dated September 3, 2001;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure that such treatment may not be meted to the Indian Sports-persons in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a) to (d): The news item published in the `Hindustan Times` dated September 3, 2001 captioned `Hosts gunned for us, say Indian Shooters` contained the news about the ill treatment by hosts of the Indian team participating in the Commonwealth Shooting Championship held in Bisley (England). National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) has confirmed this and has informed that NRAI has already taken up this matter with the President, Commonwealth Shooting Federation witha request to look into this matter so that the same is not repeated in future. As NRAI has already taken up the matterat appropriate level, the Government does not propose to take any action in this regard.